# LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS SECTION

# **Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers,**

# Designers and Land Surveyors MINUTES MADISON, WISCONSIN October 2, 2002

**PRESENT:** Bernie Abrahamson, Jay Fernholz, and Rick Rettler

**EXCUSED:** Ruth Johnson

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mary Forseth, Bureau Director; Wayne Austin, Legal Counsel;

Gina York, Program Assistant and other Department staff was present

for portions of the meeting

**GUESTS:** None

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Jay Fernholz, Chair. A quorum of 3 members was present.

#### **AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Rick Rettler moved, seconded by Bernie Abrahamson to adopt the agenda

as written Motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES (07/17/02)** 

**MOTION:** Bernie Abrahamson moved, seconded by Rick Rettler to accept the

minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

#### **BUREAU DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

#### SECTION ROSTER

The Roster was reviewed and there were no corrections.

## **2002 MEETING DATES**

The 2002 meeting dates were reviewed and no changes to the list.

#### 2003 MEETING DATES

The meeting dates for 2003 were reviewed and approved by the Board as written.

# SUMMARY REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND PRESS RELEASES

Noted.

#### REGULATORY DIGEST ARTICLES

Mary Forseth prepared an article titled "Engineering Methods and Techniques for Improving Watershed Quality". The Board reviewed and approved the article for publication in the next issue of the Regulatory Digest.

#### LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

The Board reviewed Request for Legislation dated June 4, 2002 regarding continuing education language. The Board requested to allow each Section to develop their own continuing education program and requirements.

#### **CLARB**

Jay Fernholz represented the Board at the CARB Conference held in September 2002. There were forty-three states represented for the Region at this years conference. Mr. Fernholz was elected as Regional Director for Region II. A copy of the CLARB roster was distributed to all Board members.

There will be several meetings coming up in February/March 2003 in Austin, Texas and the next annual conference will be September 11-14, 2003 to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah.

#### CONTINUE EDUCATION PROGRAM PLANNING

The topic was discussed briefly. The Board felt that more time is needed and the Joint Board will explore this in detail at the next Joint Board meeting.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

No rule changes at this time.

#### **SECTION MEMBER ACTIVITY**

Noted.

#### PRACTICE ISSUES

The Board reviewed the practice questions and directed legal counsel to respond.

#### **EXAMINATION ISSUES**

The Board discussed the challenging of examinations and what candidates' options are in this process. The Board debated the types of reviews and which sections of the test are able to be reviewed by the candidates. Sections C and E are reviewable sections of the exam for candidates to use in preparing for a retake of the examination. CLARB does support the review process and a fee is charged per section to be reviewed. It should be noted that candidates can review, but can not appeal the grade. The Board will consider if there is a limit to the number of retakes for a candidate. Cooperative Professional Services is now the vendor for these exams.

**MOTION:** Rick Rettler moved, seconded by Bernie Abrahamson to maintain our

existing policy to be consistent with CLARB. Motion carried

unanimously.

## MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

Noted.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Informational only.

#### RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

**MOTION:** Rick Rettler moved, seconded by Bernie Abrahamson, to convene the

meeting in closed session pursuant to Sections 19.85(1)(a), (b), and (f), Wis. Stats., to consider the licensing or discipline of a person licensed by this section or the investigation of charges against such a person; or to deliberate on cases following hearing. Motion carried by a roll call vote: Bernie Abrahamson - yes; Jay Fernholz - yes and Rick Rettler - yes.

Open Session recessed at 11:50 a.m.

#### RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

**MOTION:** Bernie Abrahamson moved, seconded by Rick Rettler, to reconvene in

open session at 12:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

# VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Rick Rettler moved, seconded by Bernie Abrahamson, to accept the

applications for Jason Stangland, Steven Brunner and Christopher Cahalan and allow applicants to set for the LSA examination. Motion carried

unanimously.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Rick Rettler moved, seconded by Bernie Abrahamson, to adjourn the

meeting at 12:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.